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REMARKS

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1. On 29 November 1953, the restricted Gerhard Hauptmann Strasse in Neustrelitz was occupied by about 200 soldiers. From 18 to 29 November, 20 to 30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying equipment were daily observed leaving the billeting area toward the training field east of the restricted area. in the restricted area some soldiers wore black-bordered black epaulets.

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2. On 29 November, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne was only lightly occupied. On 27 November, trucks and sedan occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered crimson epaulets and carrying packs entered the installation from the direction of Schlossgarten. About 180 to 210 soldiers, also carrying packs, marched into the installation from the same direction. Earth bunkers and approach trenches were constructed in front of the barracks installation. On 25 November, tank firing with live ammunition was practiced in the Speck area. The tanks subsequently returned to the Neue Infanterie Kaserne.

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3. On 29 November, the Alte Grenadier Kaserne was only lightly occupied. About 10 to 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying equipment were daily seen leaving the installation toward the training grounds on the glider field.

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4. On 21 November, soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets constructed a telephone line from Neustrelitz toward Altstrelitz.

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Comments. The information that, at the end of November, elements of the 9th Gds Tank Div were absent from the post has to be confirmed. It is possible that units of the division still conducted combat firing practice, presumably in the Speck area, at this unusual time. the telephone line running south was constructed by signal units of the GDFG.

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